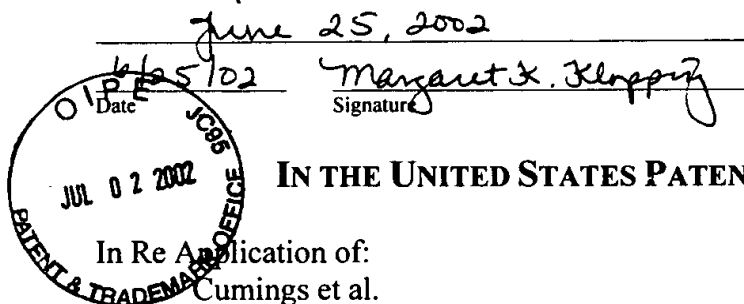


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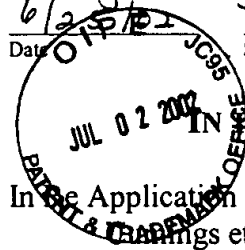
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This is a preliminary amendment to the patent application identified above. Prior to examination of the subject application, please enter the following amendments to the claims:

**AMENDMENTS**

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, beginning at line 18, with the following:

There is currently substantial interest in reducing the size scale of various mechanical systems, and dramatic recent advances have been achieved in the fabrication of microelectromechanical systems. A review of current trends in microelectromechanical systems can be found in W. Trimmer, (1997) *Micromechanics and MEMS: Classic and Seminal Papers to 1990*, IEEE Press, New York. Ultimately, such systems are expected to reach well into the nanometer domain, and hence considerations of the mechanical behavior of materials at the nano- or atomic-scale, including those related to atomic perfection and friction, become critically important.

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